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CROKER ISSUES OPEN APPEAL TO DEFEAT HEARST

Says All the Democrats
Should Follow Example
Set by McCarren in
Bolting.

SURPRISED TAMMANY SHOULD INDORSE HIM

Supplements Letter to Dub-
lin Freeman's Journal With
Statement Urging
United Action.

DUBLIN, Ireland, Nov. 2.—Richard Croker, former leader of Tammany Hall, came out openly today and advised all Democrats who wish to support the party organization to oppose William Randolph Hearst. Senator P. H. McCarren, of Brooklyn, who has bolted the Hearst ticket, has set an example in Mr. Croker's opinion which party workers should follow.

Last night Mr. Croker gave an extended interview to the Dublin Freeman's Journal, in which he expressed surprise and indignation at the turning over of the Tammany organizations to Hearst.

He followed it up today with an even broader statement, in which he said:

"Everybody in New York State who supports the Democratic organization should follow the example of Senator McCarren during the present election."

Mr. Croker was asked to express his opinion on Charles F. Murphy's leadership of Tammany Hall and say whether he thought it advisable that there should be a change in the management of the organization, but to this he only replied:

"I must decline to say whether Tammany ought to have a change of management."

Boni Seeks Scandal In Divorce Defense

PARIS, Nov. 2.—Countess Anna de Castellane was in conference today with Maitre Cruppi, her chief counsel, considering whether or not she would disclose in her suit for divorce against Count Boni the names of the women among the foremost in French titled society, who she has so far shielded, and thus lose a furor of society scandal such as has not been matched in the existence of the third republic.

It was the general belief freely expressed among the friends of Count Boni today, that he threatened to force the countess to this step, so abhorrent to her because the families of the women in question are her friends, in the hope that the threat will cause her to abandon the divorce proceedings and once again give him a hold on the Gould millions.

Count Boni made the first move toward a show of carrying out this threat when he turned over today to his wife's lawyers a batch of letters from her to him, making plain the contempt in which she held him.

These letters joined the issue. They were a direct challenge to the only answer possible to them on the part of the Countess Anna's counsel is the production in court of the letters from the Count to her provoking the divorce. These letters, it is asserted, would immediately bring open court the names of the titled society women whom the countess thus far has designated only as "Madame A," "Madame B," etc.

The count, it was said today, has, through his lawyers, notified counsel for the countess to furnish his threat of exposure, that he will claim her case has been "not proven," on the ground that the name of the women whom the letters of the alphabet were not disclosed.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

Fair weather, with slowly rising temperature, is indicated for the middle and south Atlantic and east Gulf States, and the upper Ohio valley. In the lower lake region rain is likely to occur Saturday.

Storm warnings are displayed on the Pacific coast from Eureka northward. The following heavy precipitation (in inches) has been reported during the past twenty-four hours: Key West, 1.56; Eastport, 1.34; Durango, 1.20; St. Johns, 1.24.

Steamers departing today for European ports will have fresh northwest winds and rain to the Grand Banks.

TEMPERATURE.

3 a. m. 44
12 noon 50
1 p. m. 52
2 p. m. 58

SUN TABLE.

Sun sets today 4:59
Sun rises tomorrow 6:29

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today 5:55 p. m.
Low tide today 1:10 p. m.
High tide tomorrow 5:30 p. m.
Low tide tomorrow 1:30 a. m.

HARPERS FERRY, W. Va., Nov. 2.—Both rivers clear.

BOMB FROM CROKER FRIGHTENS TAMMANY

The Men Around Whom the Political Fight in New York Is Now Waging Fiercely



RICHARD CROKER,
Whose Opposition to Hearst Threatens
Disaffection in Tammany Ranks.

MORE HEIRESSSES WED TO NOBLEMEN SEEK SEPARATION

Two Are Expected to Follow
Example of Duchess
of Marlborough.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—Two more American women who are unhappily married to English nobles of high degree are very likely to follow the example set by the Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, and seek separations from their husbands. This is the statement made by the Manchester Dispatch.

In the same connection the Dispatch asserts that future marriages between prominent English noblemen and American heiresses will be of rare occurrence, especially as all the matches of this character so far arranged have turned out unhappily.

Are of High Rank.

No hint is given of who the two women said to be contemplating forcing their noble husbands to agree to the terms of separation are, but they are stated to be of equal rank with the Marlboroughs. The women have borne patiently with their husbands, but now that the Duchess of Marlborough has set them a precedent, they are about determined to follow in her footsteps.

The Dispatch is authority for the statement that King Edward has made another attempt to effect a reconciliation between the Marlboroughs, but without success.

King Pleads in Vain.

It is known that months ago the King remonstrated with the Duke of Marlborough for the indifference shown his wife. His words had no effect, however, on the duke. Since the details of the Marlboroughs' troubles have been published King Edward has made another attempt at reconciliation.

Supported by her relatives, however, the duchess has refused to recede from her determination to separate from her husband.

PAY TEACHERS' SALARY FOR OCTOBER TOMORROW

Teachers of the public schools will this afternoon assemble at the Franklin School Building and sign vouchers for their October salary. Tomorrow Clerk R. O. Wilmarth, will distribute the checks.

The investigation of office affairs has been postponed until tomorrow morning. Captain Oyster, chairman of the investigating committee, will personally inspect the various file systems now in use, after which Secretary Conner will be called on to explain how the work is handled. John De Maine and R. O. Wilmarth, clerks, will also be examined.



WILLIAM R. HEARST,
Whose Paper Is Silent About Croker
Cable.

PITTSBURG MURDER THE MOST BRUTAL OF RECENT YEARS

Victim's Head Crushed;
Body Was Robbed and
Thrown Into Field.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 2.—One of the most brutal murders recorded recently in the East 2nd district of this city was discovered today when a pedestrian found the body of a man lying in a field quite close to the corner of Burchfield and Murray avenues. The body was later identified as that of James A. McMillan, aged sixty-five years, manufacturers' agent, with offices in the Arrott building, and residing at 29 Burchfield avenue.

Robbed of Valuables.

His pockets had been rifled of everything they contained and his gold watch was missing, as were also several diamonds.

Negligers residing in the vicinity heard an outcry at 1 o'clock this morning and one saw three men running from the place where the body was found. No attention was given however. There is as yet no other clue.

Victim's Head Crushed.

James A. McMillan was special sales agent in western Pennsylvania for the Automatic Heating Company and "Paul" Vacuum Steam System, located in the Maritime building, New York city. He was frequently called away from the city to superintend the installation of heating systems in large buildings.

HORSE RUNS AWAY; COLLIDES WITH BICYCLE

A horse attached to one of the American Ice Company's wagons became frightened at Fourteenth street and Park road yesterday afternoon and ran away. The animal collided with a bicycle standing against the curb, damaging the wheel to the extent of \$10.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return

via Pennsylvania Railroad, every Saturday and Sunday. All regular trains except the "Congressional Limited." Tickets good to return until Sunday night. Adv.



SECRETARY OF STATE ELIHU ROOT T.
Who Is Bitterly Attacked in Hearst's Paper Today.

BASIC PRINCIPLE SHAKEN BY EX-LEADER'S CABLE DENOUNCING HEARST DEAL

Hearst's Paper Confines
Attack to Secretary of
State Root.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—That Richard Croker's repudiation of William T. Hearst, first in a cablegram to Senator P. H. McCarren, congratulating the latter on the stand he has taken against the Democratic and Independence League candidates, and later in an extended interview given yesterday to the Dublin Freeman's Journal, which was cabled at length to New York newspapers, in which Croker expressed astonishment and disgust at the so-called Hearst-Murphy deal, has hurt Hearst greatly in this city was conceded everywhere today except at Hearst headquarters. In Republican circles it is claimed Hearst will lose thousands of votes as the result of Croker's statement.

Regularity Principle Shaken.

Regularity has been the basic principle of Tammany Hall since its inception, and Croker was the chief apostle

BRYAN EXHORTS TRUE DEMOCRATS TO HELP HEARST

Says He Would Have
Gone to New York
If Necessary.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—William Jennings Bryan in a letter to Borough President Bird S. Coler, which the latter made public today, asked all his friends in New York State to vote for William R. Hearst, the head of the Independence League and Democratic tickets. Mr. Bryan's letter was as follows:

"My Dear Mr. Coler: I am very anxious to see Mr. Hearst elected and would have come to New York to help if I had thought an outside speaker would have been of assistance.

"From indications, however, he is going to win, as he ought to. If I have any friends there, I want them to vote for him."

"That should be enough for all Democrats to support Mr. Hearst solidly," said Mr. Coler.

"Some of Mr. Hearst's newspaper opponents must think the American public has lost its sense of humor when they solemnly quote statements of Croker and McCarren, those ideal reformers."

CASHIER ENDS LIFE IN VAULT OF BANK

SALEM, Ind., Nov. 2.—Charles B. Williams, acting cashier of the Citizens' Bank, committed suicide today by shooting himself in the vault of the bank. It is claimed that he was temporarily insane on account of business troubles. The accounts of the bank are said to be all right.

"Defeat Better Than Dishonor."

"Would it not be better for Tammany to be defeated fighting for principle than to dishonor itself by outraging the principles of Jefferson?"

"Cable to McCarren is correct. Bourke Cockran's attitude toward trusts and corporations is enough to make a donkey laugh." —Richard Croker.

of the creed. Since he has openly abandoned the principle, many Tammany men feel no longer bound to stand by Hearst simply because he is the Democratic nominee. The old guard of Tammany stands by Croker in preference to Hearst, and the former chief of the Tammany organization will pave the way for this.

"I think that it was a most astonishing and unprincipled performance for Tammany Hall to turn its delegation over for Hearst when he had accused them all of being thieves and had pictured them as going to state prison, and to ignore that Jeffersonian Democrat, William Sulzer, a man thoroughly imbued with the pure Democratic principles of Jefferson and a sound, consistent Tammany man."

This is the statement attributed to Croker. Continuing, he said:

"Murphy's Attitude a Mystery."

"I can not understand why Murphy should allow Tammany to depart from its recognized principles. If Murphy was at the head of a conspiracy, as Hearst says he was last year, how can he now justify himself by taking Murphy into his confidence. That being so, why should he not forgive Rockefeller and the rest of the magnates, provided they support him?"

These statements from Croker have created a great sensation in Tammany Hall and it is safe to say Croker's declarations have come nearer to disrupting that wonderful organization than anything that has happened in years. Just what the effect will be cannot be told, however, until election day.

Just how great a blow to Tammany Croker's interference has been best shown in the statements it has drawn forth from Tammany leaders in which they soundly condemn the former chief of the organization. To them Croker's stand is as hard to explain as he says Murphy's actions are difficult to understand. To have the apostle of regularity turn his back on the nominee of a regular convention is more than any Tammany man could have thought possible.

Sordid Motives Charged to Croker.

Today the Tammany leaders are considering only one question—how the influence of Croker's messages can be offset. That something must be done to hold Tammany men in line is acknowledged or else Hearst's majority in the greater city will be cut greatly.

An attack on Croker seems to be the method to which the Tammany men will resort. Evidence of this is offered in a statement already made by John T. Oakley, who charges, according to an interview printed in a local paper, that Croker is animated by a desire to protect financial investments in attacking Hearst. Croker, Mr. Oakley charges, is a large holder of Interborough Railway stock. He fears Hearst's election would hurt this stock, as well as other financial interests.

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REASON CHARGE AGAINST HEARST IN THEFT CASES

Mrs. Alexander's Attitude.

In spite of losses said to aggregate \$10,000, Mrs. Alexander, a wealthy widow, has taken exception to all attempts to recover the money and bring the thief to justice. She charges certain members of her family with treachery and ingratitude in making the facts public.

Wealthy Mrs. Alexander
Claims She Tried to
Keep Losses From
the Public.

RELATIVES ANGRY; DEMAND STATEMENT

Her Grandchildren Declare
That They, Like Mrs. Russell, Must Be Exonerated.

Ingratitude and treachery are the charges which Mrs. Columbus Alexander, seventy years old, and reputed to be worth more than \$1,000,000, brings against one or two of her near relatives, as a result of the series of thefts of sums of money from her, which have occurred in her house, 1549 Thirtieth street northwest, recently.

She claims she tried to keep all knowledge of the thefts from the police and from the newspapers, and she attributes the publicity that has been given her affairs to the ingratitude of people whom she says she has supported, and to their recent desire to worry her, because she has not been more liberal with them. She charges treachery, because she believes some one person, or two persons, stole money from her.

Although Mrs. Alexander refused to be interviewed today, the story is freely talked about by some of her grandchildren, and, as told by them, it is a story of heartache and house of spirits, another chapter in the long book of tragedies that can be laid to the door of desire for money.

Yesterday Mrs. Alexander issued a public statement, which some of her grandchildren construed as freeing only her daughter, Mrs. F. C. Russell, from suspicion of the commission of the thefts that have plagued the Alexander house. The grandchildren are numerous and today there have been several emphatic things said about that statement.

Demands Second Statement.

One member of the family said: "Now that Mrs. Columbus Alexander has issued a statement freeing Mrs. Russell from all blame, she must issue another statement absolving the remainder of us from suspicion. It would be rank injustice to drop the matter now. If necessary, I will call in the police again and have the whole affair ferreted out."

Mrs. Alexander, when seen, contented herself with the statement:

"I have made my statement. There is no more to say. I am done with the whole affair."

Reports that Mrs. Alexander is nearly bed-ridden and has to be cared for constantly are far from true. The suggestion that she may be under hypnotic influence seems absurd.

She is a tall, thin, old woman, sixty-nine years old. Her hair, which is only slightly tinged with gray, is a dark brown. Her brown eyes are wide open and full of expression, and she looks directly and constantly at the person with whom she converses. Her hands, which are thin with long, nervous fingers, are cool and firm, her handclasp suggesting nothing of weakness.

Believes She Knows Thief.
She speaks clearly and incisively, expressing herself as one accustomed to business matters. Her chin protrudes, a type of determination and strength of character. She attends to her own business affairs, and is proud of the fact that she manages things the way they should be handled. Her smile is ready and pleasant, and, even in her trouble and worry, she is not at all nervous or hysterical.

It is known that Mrs. Alexander suspects, and even thinks she knows, the person who committed the last theft of \$2,000, which she is proud of the fact that she manages things the way they should be handled. Her smile is ready and pleasant, and, even in her trouble and worry, she is not at all nervous or hysterical.

Mystery Who Notified Police.

According to one of the relatives, Mrs. Alexander was awakened one night last week by some one entering her room, and she lay in bed while the intruder crept around the room, keeping close to the walls, and finally took the money from the skirt near the bed, making an exit in the same stealthy manner in which the entrance had been effected.

Monday last the police were notified by a man's voice over the telephone that a robbery of \$2,000 had been committed in the Alexander home. The police and detectives went there, but were blocked by Mrs. Alexander and one of her grandchildren, who said they wanted no publicity in connection with the matter.

Here enters an element of mystery. Mrs. Alexander professes absolute ignorance as to who called in the police. It is pointed out by one on her side that she would never have called in the police as she wanted no arrests made and no publicity caused.

Another member of this much divided family asserts that Mrs. Alexander instructed one of her grandchildren to call in the police and, at the last moment, weakened on the proposition.

These thefts of money in the house have been going on for the last six weeks, and the claim is made today that they have continued even longer. But the aged woman, the owner of the money, restrained by the ties of blood kinship and held back by dislike of unpleasant notoriety, does nothing. She goes on supporting the person she suspects, according to her statement to one of her grandchildren.

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Lumber Truck Broken
Libbey & Co., 6th St. & N. Y. Ave.—Adv.